

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT : Chris R. Somerville et al.  
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TITLE : MODIFIED CELULOSE SYNTHASE GENE FROM ARABIDOPSIS  
THALIANA CONFERS HERBICIDE RESISTANCE TO PLANTS  
EXAMINER : Raghu, Ganapathiram  
GROUP : 1652  
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**Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 8/22/2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows: